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1 May 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Request from [ ] DIA, for Information on Processing Function Resources of CIA

1. Attachment 1 is a memorandum dated 28 April 1972 to D/DCI/NIPE which provides some CIA resources information in response to a specific request asked of us by [ ] on 28 April 1972. Mr. Tweedy's reply to me today was that the figures did not seem to him to make much sense by themselves and he tended to believe that the DIA question was probably not quite what they intended to get at. Therefore, he thought it would be preferable for us to ask the requester to put this in a larger context, so that we could be sure we were giving DIA what they needed.

2. Mr. Tweedy thought this desirable because he said he would have to go to Mr. Colby for permission to release whatever it was determined was what DIA really was trying to get at. Thus, he wanted to be sure that we understood and could explain the matter to Mr. Colby in a sensible and persuasive way. Naturally, we want to go only once, and with the right request.

3. Mr. Tweedy and I agreed that I should contact [ ] and invite him to visit us, in order to talk over his problem and to make sure that if he is relying on CIRIS data he really understands the CIRIS definitions.

4. [ ] relayed this [ ] in as reasonable and persuasive a manner as possible. I know from past experience that [ ] is not always logical and orderly, and I suspect in this case that he is unintentionally and not willfully misinterpreting CIRIS data because he has not taken the time to understand the mechanism he is using. We could not say this to him, of course, but we tried to tell him that we wanted to be helpful and wanted to make sure that he identified the data he was really after. [ ] has some sort of deadline, tomorrow, which may cause him to not accept our offer. From listening to [ ] side of the phone conversation, it sounded as though [ ] were being rather hard to deal with. He doesn't seem to understand that the 3rd agency rule applies and that we do have to go through channels to get a release of CIA information for DIA.

5. I asked [ ] to give us an overview of the figures on this subject from the CDIP. Thus, we will have this prepackaged in case this becomes a continuing subject. [ ] said he had some DoD figures, but we don't know how he derived them.

6. When [ ] comes back from school later this month, we might find out if he intends to continue his Production study by getting into the Processing function.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Tweedy

SUBJECT : Information on CIA Processing from CIRIS for D/DIA

1. As a result of his study of the paper presented by General Thomas' group in the NSCIC Working Group forum on "U.S. Intelligence Production Resources" (IC 72-0236, 28 March 1982), General Bennett has asked his staff to provide him with resources information about the community-wide Processing function. His interest appears to reflect an expansion into Processing aspects that relate to the Production discussed in the Thomas paper.

2. Since the Thomas study was based entirely on CIRIS data, General Bennett's staff has requested if similar information can be provided on Processing. Their inquiry at present is limited merely to being told the CIA resources involved in Processing activities on the subjects of Economic intelligence, Political/Economic Intelligence (mixed), and Political/Economic/Military Intelligence (mixed). The inquiry can be satisfied by the following figures:

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3. The purpose of this memorandum is to request your decision as to whether or not we may pass along the foregoing figures to General Bennett's staff. I don't see anything particularly sensitive about these figures. The comparable figures for Defense, which General Bennett's people already have, the CIA totals are

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4. General Bennett's people have asked if the information could be released by Monday 1 May. I am routing this via General Thomas for possible comments.

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